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SUBJECT: PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CONFERENCE - U.S. CANDIDACY  
FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
(WHO)

1. SUBJECT CONFERENCE IS TO BE HELD IN ST. GEORGE'S,  
GRENADA, FROM SEPTEMBER 25 TO OCTOBER 6, 1978. IT IS THE  
QUADRENNIAL MEETING AT HEALTH MINISTER LEVEL OF PAHO'S 30-  
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MEMBER DIRECTING COUNCIL OF WHICH YOUR HOST GOVERNMENT IS A  
VOTING MEMBER. ITEM NO. 25 ON PROVISIONAL AGENDA CONCERNS  
"ELECTION OF THREE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
ON THE TERMINATION OF THE PERIODS OF OFFICE OF BAHAMAS,  
COLOMBIA, AND COSTA RICA." UNITED STATES WILL BE A  
CANDIDATE FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO  
INFORM HOST GOVERNMENT AND SOLICIT SUPPORT OF ITS DELEGATION

TO THE CONFERENCE FOR OUR CANDIDACY.

2. BEGIN FYI. USG, AS LEADING POWER AND PRINCIPAL CONTRIBUTOR, HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN ELECTED TO A REGULAR THREE YEAR TERM ON THE NINE-MEMBER COMMITTEE AFTER ONE YEAR OFF. SINCE WE HAVE BEEN OFF THIS YEAR, WE SHOULD NORMALLY BE RE-ELECTED AT THE GRENADA MEETING. HOWEVER, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE. THE CONFERENCE RE-ELECTED U.S. TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOUR YEARS AGO ONLY AFTER SEVERAL BALLOTS. VOTING IS SECRET. CONSEQUENTLY WE WISH TO ROUND UP AS MUCH SUPPORT AS POSSIBLE IN ADVANCE. END FYI.

3. FOR MONTEVIDEO, QUITO, CARACAS, PANAMA, KINGSTON, MEXICO CITY: YOUR HOST GOVERNMENTS HAVE FIELDDED CANDIDATES FOR THE POST OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR AND REQUESTED OUR SUPPORT. (INCUMBENT IS DR. HECTOR ACUNA OF MEXICO.) IF ASKED, YOU SHOULD INFORM HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THAT DEPARTMENT IS STILL STUDYING U.S. POSITION ON REGIONAL DIRECTORATE.

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